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- 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.
- 2. Relevance of the non-English language references 4 and 5 is discussed in the present specification.
- 3. The references 1-3 and 5-7 were cited in the International Search Report. An English language version of the International Search Report is attached for the Examiner's information.
- 4. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(ii), copies of any U.S. patents and patent application publications are not attached.
- 5. English language Abstracts of the non-English language references 4 and 5 are attached hereto.
- 6. A computer-generated English language translation of Japanese Patent Publications 4 and 5 has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office (<http://www.jpo.go.jp>), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy.

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